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UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR

The Honorable Chris Koster Attorney General of Missouri P.O. Box 899 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Dear Mr. Koster:

In follow up to our meeting with you and your legal staff on January 8th, please find attached Region 7's letter to the West Lake Landfill Superfund site potentially responsible parties requesting additional radiologically impacted material characterization and retention of coring samples previously obtained. As we described to you last week, one of our priorities is to utilize our full legal authorities under CERCLA to gather additional data in support of identifying the nature and extent of RIM contamination south and west of the previously-defined boundaries of Operable Unit 1, Area 1. While the parties have been performing this investigatory work in support of identifying a location for construction of an isolation barrier, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency also believes this data is important to better understand the location of RIM contamination for purposes of supporting the EPA's remedial decisions for Operable Unit 1. In addition, please note this letter also requests further discussion with the parties regarding the EPA's plans to perform laboratory testing of corings from the Phase 1 investigatory work.

The EPA will keep you apprised of our progress on these efforts, and we continue to remain interested in information the state or the parties gather related to the Bridgeton Landfill that may inform EPA's future decisions at the West Lake Landfill Superfund site.

Karl Brooks

Enclosure

cc: Sarah Parker Pauley, MDNR

